
**OFFICE OF GOVERNOR RONNIE MUSGROVE
INTEROFFICE MEMORANDUM**

TO: GOVERNOR MUSGROVE

FROM: FELICIA GAVIN

RE: SB 3060 COMMENTS

DATE: MARCH 18, 2002

S. B. 3060 will allow the Community Mental Health Centers to transfer back local funds that are to be used for Medicaid match. If Medicaid match is not available for the Community Mental Health Centers, the Medicaid Program will cease to exist. This bill will make sure that the Community Mental Health Centers will be responsible for at least 50% or more of the funds required for match for any given year if general funds are not available through the Department of Mental Health. The Department of Mental Health billed the Community Mental Health Centers for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2001 \$7,919,211. This meant that the CMHC's collectively put up approximately 50% of the funds used for match in FY 2001. In essence, this bill clears up any questions concerning the process whereby the CMHC's are paying a portion of the medicaid match when general funds are not available at the Department of Mental Health.

There are no costs associated with this bill. I recommend signing the bill.